

**Town of Amenia**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
Thursday, May 17, 2012  
Amenia Town Hall

Supervisor Flood called for Motion at 7:00pm.

MOTION by Councilwoman Doyle, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer to open Regular Board Meeting.

Salute to the flag was conducted, with moment of silence for all veterans.

Emergency Exits behind the Town Clerk and at the rear of room behind the audience at the door entered.

ROLL:	Councilman Hoss	Arrived at 7:15pm*
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye
	Ian MacDonald, Esq.	Present

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Charlotte Murphy requested need for lawn mowing at Amenia Library.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Highway**

Stanley Whitehead submitted proposals for refurbishing Highway Trucks. Mr. Whitehead recommended accepting bid proposal from **Zwack** in the amount of **\$7490** to repair **2008 Mack**; and recommended that refurbishing of 2000 and 2004 Highway Trucks be advertised for bid. Mr. Whitehead recommended that \$34,000 FEMA monies be transferred to Highway fund to cover these costs.

MOTION by Councilwoman Doyle, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to AUTHORIZE the Highway Superintendent to ADVERTISE for Bids to refurbish two Highway Trucks.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Absent*
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES 1 ABSENT

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS (cont'd)

MOTION by Councilwoman Riemer, SECOND by Councilwoman Doyle, to ACCEPT drainage plans from D.F.Wheeler Engineers, P.C.for the Willow Lane Drainage Improvement Project.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Absent*
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES 1 ABSENT

Stanley Whitehead, Highway Superintendent to contact various contractors to submit bid proposals.

**Water**  
No Report

### Town Clerk

Maureen Bonds announced that **Burning Permits** are not required for Town of Amenia residents. Per DEC regulations, burning of twigs, brush, and small branches 6" in diameter is allowed from May 15, 2012 through March 15, 2013. Burning of leaves and burning in barrels is prohibited.

Town Clerk's office will be closed Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup> and Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012.

### Building

Supervisor Flood announced that John Fenton, Code Enforcement Officer, has submitted a proposed recommendation to increase specific building-related fees.

MOTION by Councilwoman Perotti, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer, to **increase construction fee schedule** as recommended by John Fenton, Code Enforcement Officer.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Ian MacDonald, Town Attorney to review document on the subject of proposed Local Law to amend the Town Code as it relates to abandoned buildings.

## COMMITTEES

### Enhancement

Councilwoman Doyle reported a plan to commemorate the Proper children with plaque in front lawn of Town Hall.

Plans have been submitted from Leo Blackman for streetscape guidelines.

## CAC

Councilwoman Doyle advised that funds are available to replace pump at Fountain Square.

**MOTION** by Councilman Hoss, **SECOND** by Councilwoman Riemer to purchase **Grainger** pump in the amount of \$221 for **Fountain Square**.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

**MOTION CARRIED**

## Recreation

Councilman Hoss reported cost for basketball extensions and basketballs in the amount of **\$1084** for the Childrens Basketball Program.

**MOTION** by Supervisor Flood, **SECOND** by Councilwoman Riemer to split cost, for no more than **\$600** for the basketball equipment.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

**MOTION CARRIED**

## Grants

Supervisor Flood reported that upgrades are being reviewed under the **NYSERDA** grant. Scope of work will be revised as required.

**MOTION** by Councilwoman Doyle, **SECOND** by Councilman Hoss to make payment to the **Dutchess County Community Action Plan** in the amount of \$5196 as budgeted.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION by Supervisor Flood, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer to extend probationary period for Transfer Station Attendants to July 31, 2012.**

ROLL:	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION by Supervisor Flood, SECOND by Councilwoman Doyle, to ACCEPT 2012 Lawn Mowing bid from Jeff Johnson, Amenia, New York in the amount of \$8050.**

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION by Supervisor Flood, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti, to HIRE Michael Flint as Audio Visual Technician, effective July 1, 2012.**

ROLL:	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

**MOTION CARRIED**

**DISCUSSION:**

**Town Webmaster** to be extended on a month to month basis.

Town Employee Handbook meeting scheduled for May 22, 2012.

Highway Department will forward employee time cards to bookkeeper.

**Workplace Violence Prevention Program**

Ian MacDonald, Town Attorney, advised that town board should assess possible occurrences; conduct an inspection of the building for vulnerability; consult with Fire Department, develop and adopt a policy statement. Survey should be distributed to employees.

**DISCUSSION (cont'd)**

**Taconic DDSO Group Home**

MOTION by Councilman Hoss, SECOND by Councilwoman Doyle to authorize the Town Attorney to draft letter stating the Amenia Town Board opposes the proposed group home on the grounds that it would create a concentration of group homes that would change the nature of the area. Issue of another site is open for discussion.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Diana King complimented the town board on their professionalism and courtesy.

Town Board members recognized Diana's installation dinner at Kildonan School that honored her life-time achievements.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

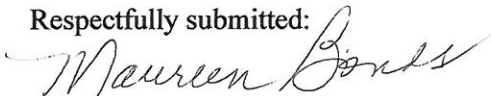
**Sharon Perez** has agreed to pay \$100 per day for use of Wassaic Park field for Soccer Program. Fee should be determined for use of gymnasium for Baptism.

**TOWN BOARD COMMENTS**

Council members reported local events.

MOTION by Supervisor Flood, SECOND by Councilman Hoss to **ADJOURN** Regular Board Meeting at 8:34pm, with motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:



Maureen Bonds  
Amenia Town Clerk

Draft to Town Board: June 11, 2012

Approved by Town Board: June 23, 2012 Motion 4 Ayes 1 Abstention /Supervisor Flood